

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board  
Coastal Wetlands Conservation**

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On May 29th, the Natural Resources Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services for \$472,409 for a coastal wetlands conservation and restoration project.

The grant is for the Cathlamet Bay Watershed Connectivity and Tidal Restoration Project, to restore and improve salmonid habitat between river mile 18 and 19 of the Columbia River Estuary in Clatsop County through the removal of culverts that act as fish passage barriers, reconnecting floodplains and restoring tidal wetlands.

The North Coast Watershed Association plan to use OWEB grant funds and other sources to meet the federal match requirements.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.